

ABSOLUTE RATING: Below Average

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 98.

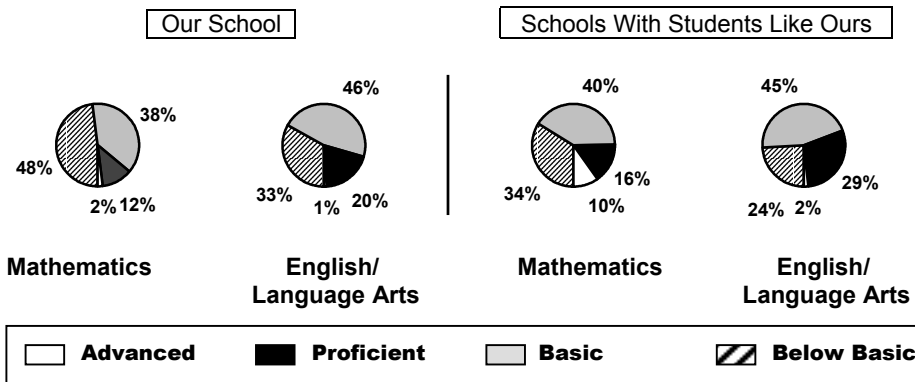
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=364)	67	51.9	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=40)	37.5	20		
Students without disabilities (n=324)	70.7	55.9		
Gender				
Male (n=169)	60.9	50.3		
Female (n=195)	72.3	53.3		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=187)	59.4	39		
Hispanic (n=6)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=170)	75.3	66.5		
Other (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=225)	60.4	43.6		
Pay for lunch (n=139)	77.7	65.5		

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$4,200	N/A	\$5,192	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	89.3%	Up from 88.6%	89.9%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19 to 1	N/A	18.5 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=731)				
• Attendance Rate	94.7%	Down from 95.1%	96%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	0%	N/A	3.8%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	0%	N/A	3.1%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	94.1%	Down from 97.4%	96.6%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	1.5%	Down from 2.6%	3.6%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=47)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	5.6 Days	Down from 6.6	7.3 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	95.3%	Up from 94.3%	95%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	40.4%	Down from 41.9%	45.9%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	83%	Down from 86.4%	84.5%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	82%	Down from 86.4%	88.4%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$34,731	Up 4.1%	\$37,124	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	61.6%	N/A	65.6%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	20	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	77.8%	N/A	94.9%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	59.2%	Up from 37.6%	45.3%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	1%	Up from 0.9%	1.3%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	1	N/A	1	1
• Gifted and talented	4%	Up from 2.7%	11%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	7.5%	Down from 7.8%	9.1%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a good year at Dewey L. Carter Elementary School. Our students showed improvement academically and artistically. They engaged in a number of service activities and set an example for students in other schools in our community. Students participated in the following curricular activities: language arts, math, social studies, science, health, art, music, physical education, "Write from the Beginning", "Thinking Maps", "Reading Renaissance", "Reading Recovery", "Light Span" for second and third grade students, "Golden Kiwanis Terrific Kids Program", Southern Bell Pioneer Program for kindergarten students, and seven sixth grade students were honored with the Presidential Academics Fitness Award. An after-school program provides many activities for all students who attend.

We also appreciate a great APT and School Improvement Council. The APT raised funds for a security system, including cameras and monitors for inside hallways and outside of the school for safety purposes. Benches have been placed in the bus area for students' comfort and numerous incentive awards for students in areas of academics and perfect attendance were provided.

Dewey L. Carter Elementary School is a great place to learn and grow. "Kids Come First" sets the tone for our school.

Howard O. Worrell, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	73.9	66.0	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	69.6	72.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	63.0	86.2	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades PRE-K K-6 Elementary School

Enrollment: 731 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Unsatisfactory

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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